



# Newark Community Project for People With A.I.D.S.

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## MEMORANDUM

To: Members of Executive Committee  
From: Timothy Weeks  
Re: Breakfast  
Date: December 12, 1989

The enclosed materials relate to the December 1st breakfast hosted by NCP for PWAs. A full report will be provided at the next meeting to be held in January.

Enclosed is a form for signing up to become a member of one of the task forces. If you have not done so already and you want to participate, complete the form and return immediately. Over 30 people have joined the various task forces which will begin meetings in January.

AIDS TASK FORCES

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to serve on the following task force ( please  
indicate two choices in order of preference):

\_\_\_ Adolescents

\_\_\_ Women

\_\_\_ Drug Programs

\_\_\_ Care Providers

\_\_\_ Gay and Lesbians

\_\_\_ Religious and Community  
Based Organizations

WORLD AIDS DAY BREAKFAST  
December 1, 1989

Agenda:

- a) Mable Griffin - Invocation
  - b) Douglas Morgan - Open
  - c) Richard Powell - Presiding
  - d) Derek Winans - Welcome
  - e) Barbara Gille - AIDS Partnership of N.J.
  - f) Rick Matthews - Insurance Industry AIDS Initiative
  - g) Urbano Venero - Introduction of Speaker
  - h) Dr. Adewale Troutman - Speaker
  - i) Guest Recognitions ( if any )
  - j) Consultant
  - k) Don Dust - Proclamation
  - l) Remembrance
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## NEWS RELEASE

### A STUDY OF AIDS NETWORKING ISSUES

#### TO BE STARTED IN CITY THIS SPRING

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Funded by Community Foundation of N.J.,  
Needs Assessment & Linkages To Be Explored

FOR RELEASE: Week of Monday, 11 December, 1989

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NEWARK, N.J. (12-11-89) --- A significant study of ways and means to establish networking linkages among institutions and agencies working to combat the AIDS epidemic in Newark so as to fill service gaps while avoiding duplication of effort was announced earlier this month.

The announcement was made at a breakfast meeting addressed by Dr. Adewale Troutman, City Medical Director, and U.S. Congressman Donald Payne. The breakfast meeting, attended by representatives of 31 different agencies, organizations, and institutions, was co-hosted by the Newark Community Project for People With A.I.D.S. (N.C.P. for PWA's) and the Minority Health Institute of the University of Medicine & Dentistry of N.J.

Task forces are being established to address AIDS - related issues affecting (1) adolescents, (2) care and treatment of patients (including support for care providers), (3) community-based organizations and religious entities, (4) gay and lesbian men and women, (5) drug rehabilitation program clients, and (6) women. These task forces, to begin work in January, will be assisted by part-time staff and consultants provided the N.C.P. for PWAs via a special grant from the New Jersey AIDS Partnership Fund of the Community Foundation of N.J.

'The Storm Knows No Fences: The Importance of Networking in the War on AIDS' was the title of Dr. Troutman's address. In noting the purpose of the gathering, Dr. Troutman stated: "We seek the protection of primary shelter, the self-directing power of education, the spiritual union of community, reaching out through a network of support and sustenance to bring us all through this killer aberration in universal history."

"A renaissance of a city is a renaissance of its people -- we must all survive and flourish and each new day provides us with the chance to make this a reality," Dr. Troutman added.

Presiding at the Gateway Hilton breakfast meeting was the City's recently named AIDS Coordinator, Mr. Richard Powell. In his opening remarks, Mr. Powell suggested that "all AIDS related entities in the City of Newark must speak with one voice... funding overtures to governmental agencies at all levels, to corporations, foundations, and other sources must come from a single, inclusive body empowered to dispense, monitor, and evaluate AIDS services in the City of Newark."

Congressman Payne promised to provide the group with all of the assistance at his disposal, noting he successfully applied to join the Government Operations Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives precisely because it has oversight responsibilities over the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services among other administrative bodies.

For the occasion, 'World AIDS Day' as declared by the World Health Organization of the United Nations, Mayor Sharpe James issued a proclamation naming December 1st as AIDS Education/Prevention Day in Newark. The proclamation was presented to the Rev. Mable Griffin, Assistant Chaplain at UMD-N.J. on behalf of all AIDS care-givers in Newark, by Mr. Donald Dust of the Mayor's Office.

Also addressing the assembled gathering were Municipal Councilman George Branch; Community Foundation Program officer Barbara Gilles; Prudential Foundation Health Coordinator Richard Matthews; UMD-N.J. Minority Health Institute Director Douglas Morgan; and N.C.F. for PWAs Chairperson Derek Winans.

office of the  
**MAYOR**  
CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

# PROCLAMATION

**AIDS EDUCATION/PREVENTION DAY**  
**DECEMBER 1, 1989**

- WHEREAS:** The World Health Organization of the United Nations has declared December 1, 1989, "World AIDS Day;" and
- WHEREAS:** The City of Newark recognizes the urgent need for heightened public awareness, community involvement, and increased education/prevention efforts in our City; and
- WHEREAS:** The purpose of World AIDS Day is to heighten public awareness about the risks of the HIV infection, and demonstrate the recognition and great appreciation due to the care givers in our community; and
- WHEREAS:** All responsible authorities in the City of Newark recognize the dangers posed by this deadly disease to our community's residents, especially our youth; and
- WHEREAS:** To mark this day here in Newark, the Newark Community Project for People with AIDS and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, in consultation with the City's Division of Community Health, will co-host a working breakfast meeting to pursue the goals recognized herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHARPE JAMES, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, do hereby proclaim, for the second year in succession, December 1, 1989 as**

**AIDS EDUCATION/PREVENTION DAY**

in the City of Newark and I urge all residents to heed the call of our City Medical Director, Dr. Adewale Troutman, in joining cooperative efforts to promote better communication and coordination to combat the spread of the infection and to promote the humane care and treatment of those afflicted and affected.



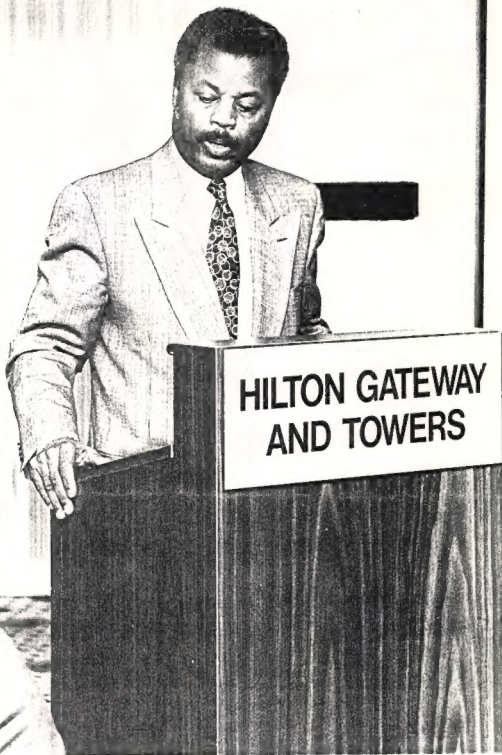
Signed \_\_\_\_\_

*Sharpe James*  
SHARPE JAMES, MAYOR



PROCLAMATION PRESENTATION --- Rev. Mable Griffin, Assistant Chaplain for the University of Medicine & Dentistry of N.J. accepts proclamation by Newark Mayor Sharpe James naming December 1st, 1989 'AIDS Education/Prevention Day' in the City and urging "all residents to heed the call of the City Medical Director, Dr. Adewale Troutman, to promote better communication and coordination to combat the spread of the HIV infection and to promote the humane care and treatment of those afflicted and affected." The presentation was proffered on the occasion of World AIDS Day as designated by the World Health Organization of the United Nations by Mr. Donald Dust (at right) to Rev. Griffin on behalf of AIDS care providers throughout Newark as Dr. Troutman (at center) looks on. The presentation was made during breakfast conference meeting co-hosted by Newark Community Project for People With A.I.D.S. and Minority Health Institute of the University of Medicine & Dentistry.





CONGRESSMAN WRIGHT SPEAKS OUT. U.S. Congressman Donald Payne of Newark, New Jersey's first ever African-American Federal Legislator, addresses breakfast conference meeting earlier this month on current AIDS epidemic affecting the City co-hosted by the Newark Community Project for People With A.I.D.S. and the Minority Health Institute of the University of Medicine & Dentistry of N.J.